

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (*Previously Presented*) Method of providing a radio frequency output signal, comprising the steps of:
determining an instantaneous size measure of an input signal, said size measure being an amplitude or therefrom derivable quantity;
deriving a drive signal from said input signal;
providing a bias signal, being dependent on said instantaneous size measure; and
amplifying said drive signal using a bias level according to said bias signal into said radio frequency output signal;
whereby said bias signal dependency on said instantaneous size measure gives rise to an increased nonlinearity in said amplifying step.

2. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, whereby said bias signal gives an amplification according to one of class C and class B for instantaneous size measures within a first amplitude range, and said bias signal being higher than class B amplification for instantaneous size measures above said first amplitude range.

3. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 2, whereby said bias signal is controlled to give essentially a class A bias level at maximum amplitude.

4. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, whereby said bias signal providing step is controlled for producing a predetermined output characteristics, whereby a bias signal amplitude-averaged over an amplitude interval comprising all amplitudes in an entire amplitude range supported by said amplifying step above a first amplitude is higher than a bias signal amplitude-averaged over said entire amplitude range.

5. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, wherein said deriving step comprises the step of modifying said input signal.

6. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 5, wherein said deriving step comprises the step of pre-distorting said input signal dependent on said instantaneous size measure.

7. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 5, wherein said deriving step comprises the step of modifying said input signal by a feedback arrangement.

8. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, wherein said bias signal is controlled to, for all amplitudes within a first amplitude range, increase with increasing amplitude.

9. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, wherein said bias signal is controlled to be, for all amplitudes within a second amplitude range, lower than said bias signal amplitude-averaged over said entire amplitude range.

10. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 8, wherein said first amplitude range comprises maximum amplitude.

11. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 6, comprising the further steps of:
selecting a pre-distortion function having a predetermined bandwidth; and
adapting bias signal according to said pre-distortion function.

12. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claims 11, wherein said pre-distortion function contains predominantly low-order components.

13. *Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 6, comprising the further steps of:
selecting said bias signal according to predetermined relations; and
adapting said pre-distortion function according to said bias signal.

14. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, wherein said output characteristics, at least for a third amplitude range, is linear.

15. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 14, wherein said output characteristics is substantially linear over the entire amplitude range.

16. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, wherein said output characteristics comprises a substantially zero output signal within a fourth amplitude range.

17. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, comprising the further steps of:
determining a feedback signal of said radio frequency output signal; and
adapting said drive signal and/or said bias signal according to said feedback signal.

18. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 6, comprising the further step of:
causing said pre-distorting and bias signal providing steps to be simultaneous at the input
of said amplification.

19. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 18, wherein said causing step in
turn comprises at least one of the steps of:
inverse filtering of said drive signal with respect to a first signal path to an amplifying
element;
delay compensation of said drive signal with respect to said first signal path to an
amplifying element;
inverse filtering of said bias signal with respect to a second signal path to said amplifying
element; and
delay compensation of said bias signal with respect to said second signal path to said
amplifying element.

20. (*Previously Presented*) Method according to claim 1, comprising the further step of:
compensating current saturation at high amplitude end.

21. (*Previously Presented*) Use of a method according to claim 1 in a radio frequency amplifier arrangement of a type selected from the list of:

Doherty amplifier arrangement;

Chireix amplifier arrangement; and

amplifier arrangements using envelope and restoration enhancement techniques.

22. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier, comprising:

input signal terminal;

input detector arranged to determine an instantaneous size measure of a signal on said input signal terminal, said size measure being an amplitude or therefrom derivable quantity;

drive signal deriving means connected to said input signal terminal, providing a drive signal;

bias signal generator providing a bias signal, said bias signal generator being connected to said input detector and being controlled dependent on said instantaneous size measure; and amplifying element, connected to said drive signal deriving means and said bias signal generator;

whereby said bias signal generator being controlled to gives rise to an increased nonlinearity in said amplifying element.

23. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 22, wherein said bias signal generator is arranged to give an amplification in said amplifying element according to one of class C and class B for instantaneous size measures within a first amplitude

range, and to give a bias signal being higher than class B amplification for instantaneous size measures above said first amplitude range.

24. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 22, wherein said bias signal generator is arranged to give a bias signal amplitude-averaged over an amplitude interval comprising all amplitudes in an entire amplitude range supported by said amplifying element above a first amplitude is higher than a bias signal amplitude-averaged over said entire amplitude range.

25. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 22, wherein said drive signal deriving means comprises pre-distorting means connected to said input detector, being controlled dependent on said instantaneous size measure.

26. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 22, wherein said bias signal generator in turn comprises means giving a bias signal, which for all amplitudes within a first amplitude range, increase with increasing amplitude.

27. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 22, wherein said bias signal generator in turn comprises means giving a bias signal, which for all amplitudes within a second amplitude range, is lower than an amplitude-averaged bias signal.

28. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 25, further comprising:

feed-back arrangement, in turn comprising a feedback sensor monitoring said output of said amplifier element and adaptation means connected said bias signal generator and said pre-distortion means for providing said bias signal generator and said pre-distortion means with a feedback signal;

said bias signal generator and said pre-distortion means being arranged to adapt their actions according to said feedback signal.

29. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 22, further comprising:

simultaneousness-causing means for causing said drive signal and bias signal to be simultaneous at in input of said amplifying element.

30. (*Previously Presented*) Radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 29, wherein said coincidence causing means in turn comprises at least one of:

inverse filter connected between said pre-distortion means and said amplifying element, for compensating for a first signal path to said amplifying element; and

inverse filter connected between said bias signal generator and said amplifying element, for compensating for a second signal path to said amplifying element.

31. (*Previously Presented*) Composite radio frequency power amplifier, comprising at least one radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 22 as a sub-amplifier.

32. (*Previously Presented*) Composite radio frequency power amplifier according to claim 31, wherein said composite radio frequency power amplifier is selected from the list of:

- Doherty amplifier arrangement;
- Chireix amplifier arrangement; and
- amplifier arrangements using envelope elimination and restoration techniques.

33. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter, having a radio frequency power amplifier, said radio frequency power amplifier comprising:

- input signal terminal;
- input detector arranged to determine an instantaneous size measure of a signal on said input signal terminal, said size measure being an amplitude or therefrom derivable quantity;
- drive signal deriving means connected to said input signal terminal, providing a drive signal;
- bias signal generator providing a bias signal, said bias signal generator being connected to said input detector and being controlled dependent on said instantaneous size measure; and
- amplifying element, connected to said drive signal deriving means and said bias signal generator;

whereby said bias signal generator being controlled to gives rise to an increased nonlinearity in said amplifying element.

34. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter according to claim 33, wherein said bias signal generator is arranged to give an amplification in said amplifying element according to one of class C and class B for instantaneous size measures within a first amplitude range, and to give a

bias signal being higher than class B amplification for instantaneous size measures above said first amplitude range.

35. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter according to claim 33, wherein said bias signal amplitude-averaged over an amplitude interval comprising all amplitudes in an entire amplitude range supported by said amplifying element above a first amplitude is higher than a bias signal amplitude-averaged over said entire amplitude range.

36. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter according to claim 33, wherein said drive signal deriving means comprises pre-distorting means connected to said input detector, being controlled dependent on said instantaneous size measure.

37. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter according to claim 33, wherein said bias signal generator in turn comprises means giving a bias signal, which for all amplitudes within a first amplitude range, increase with increasing amplitude.

38. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter according to claim 33, wherein said bias signal generator in turn comprises means giving a bias signal, which for all amplitudes within a second amplitude range, is lower than an amplitude-averaged bias signal.

39. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter according to claim 38, wherein said second amplitude range covers at least half the amplitude distribution.

40. (*Previously Presented*) Transmitter according to claim 38, wherein said pre-distortion means comprises means for making said drive signal larger than said input signal at least in said second amplitude range.

41. (*Currently Amended*) Wireless communication system, having a radio frequency power amplifier, said radio frequency power amplifier comprising:

input signal terminal;
input detector arranged to determine an instantaneous size measure of a signal on said input signal terminal, said size measure being an amplitude or therefrom derivable quantity;
drive signal deriving means connected to said input signal terminal, providing a drive signal;
bias signal generator providing a bias signal, said bias signal generator being connected to said input detector and being controlled dependent on said instantaneous size measure; and amplifying element, connected to said drive signal deriving means and said bias signal generator;
whereby said bias signal generator being controlled to gives rise to an increased nonlinearity in said amplifying element.

42. (*Currently Amended*) Base station of a wireless communication system, having a radio frequency power amplifier, said radio frequency power amplifier comprising:

input signal terminal;
input detector arranged to determine an instantaneous size measure of a signal on said input signal terminal, said size measure being an amplitude or therefrom derivable quantity;

drive signal deriving means connected to said input signal terminal, providing a drive signal;

bias signal generator providing a bias signal, said bias signal generator being connected to said input detector and being controlled dependent on said instantaneous size measure; and amplifying element, connected to said drive signal deriving means and said bias signal generator;

whereby said bias signal generator being controlled to-gives rise to an increased nonlinearity in said amplifying element.

43. (*Currently Amended*) Mobile unit of a wireless communication system, having a radio frequency power amplifier, said radio frequency power amplifier comprising:

input signal terminal;
input detector arranged to determine an instantaneous size measure of a signal on said input signal terminal, said size measure being an amplitude or therefrom derivable quantity;
drive signal deriving means connected to said input signal terminal, providing a drive signal;

bias signal generator providing a bias signal, said bias signal generator being connected to said input detector and being controlled dependent on said instantaneous size measure; and amplifying element, connected to said drive signal deriving means and said bias signal generator;

whereby said bias signal generator being controlled to-gives rise to an increased nonlinearity in said amplifying element.